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ABOUT ANNEXATION

Considerable Interest Manifested in It

BY ALL CLASSES OF OFFICIALS

The President and Secretary of State Decidedly Anxious For Its Consummation.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—The cabinet meeting today was informal and there being nothing before the body for its consideration no action was taken. The matter of a reception to the commissioners of the provisional government of Hawaii concerns only the President and Secretary of State, with whom their business must be transacted.

The commissioners of course will be received courteously and their proposition listened to with sympathy, but any recommendation that may be made there will be determined by its merits. It may be said that there will be no precipitate action upon the matter.

It cannot be disposed of in a day or two. There will be no message to Congress from the President until after the commissioners are heard, and then only, it is surmised, in case of a favorable recommendation upon their proposition has been decided upon.

There is seemingly no preparation being made at the navy department for sending vessels to Honolulu to support the Boston.

The statement that 900 marines will be sent to Honolulu on the steamer Mari-posa lacks confirmation.

A flying squadron, consisting of the cruisers San Francisco, Atlanta and Charleston and the gunboat Yorktown are expected at Barbadoes in a few days and they can easily be reached there by telegraph if it is decided to send any of them to Honolulu.

It is probable, however, that no extraordinary action will be taken until after a conference is held between the Hawaiian annexation commissioners now on their way to Washington and the Secretary of State.

IN THE SENATE.
WASHINGTON, January 31.—Chandler's resolution requesting the President to transmit to the senate any communications he may make with the provisional government of Hawaii was taken up, and Chandler proceeded to discuss it.

Senator Chandler moved the reference of the resolution to the committee on foreign relations. Dolph made a long statement on the subject, giving details as to the population, commerce, etc., of the islands, and favoring annexation. Before Dolph had concluded the anti-union bill was taken up.

AM NOT PROTECTED.
LONDON, January 31.—It is learned that the British government has made no protest to the United States against American interference in Hawaii, as Great Britain does not expect the United States to take any steps to which she is likely to object.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—No protest from England has been received today, Mott Smith, Hawaiian minister, expects England will protest vigorously and that she will make a formidable naval display at Honolulu.

A RUMOR DENIED.
LONDON, January 31.—Officials at the admiralty deny that the British warship Bear has been ordered to proceed to Hawaii from Australia. The corvette Garrett, 15 guns, left Acapulco, Mexico, January 7th, for Honolulu. She had orders to proceed from Honolulu to Eschscholtz. These orders have been countermanded and instructions sent to the commander to remain at Honolulu until the trouble there is settled.

DEKAYFAYS TAKE 'EM.
BOSTON, January 31.—Rear Admiral Belknap, retired, expressed himself as strongly in favor of the annexation of Hawaii by the United States. He says the British would not get in the way of the group and Honolulu would not become one of the most important strongholds of Great Britain. We need the group as a part and parcel of the United States and should take what is offered us, even at the hazard of war.

OFFICERS EXCITED.
SAN DIEGO, January 31.—The United States mail steamer Thetis arrived here this morning from a surveying cruise. The officers were greatly excited when they heard of the Hawaiian revolution, and Commander Foster immediately telegraphed to the naval forces of the United States at Honolulu to be augmented during the present political trouble.

WANTS TO ANNEX.
WASHINGTON, January 31.—Representative Sanford today offered the following:
Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that the time has come when the preparation and extension of our commerce and the upholding of our flag demand prompt action by this government toward the immediate annexation of the Hawaiian islands to the United States.

Warm for Annexation.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 31.—A special meeting of the San Francisco chamber of commerce was held today to consider the question of the annexation of Hawaii. A resolution was adopted urging the United States government to a prompt acceptance of the proposed cession, and requesting that the naval forces of the United States at Honolulu be augmented during the present political trouble.

Fire in an Insane Asylum.
OAKLAND, January 31.—A fire started in the engine room in the insane asylum at Danning, near here, this morning. There were 500 insane patients in the institution. The boilers and dynamo were destroyed. The best of order was maintained among the patients, and only a few of them were aware that the fire was in progress.

Ex-Major Sanderson Dead.
SAN FRANCISCO, February 1.—Ex-Major George H. Sanderson, who retired from office January 1st, died this afternoon after a lingering illness. He returned from Los Angeles last night where he was for his health.

WANTS FOOLISHNESS STOPPED.

The Populist Speaker's Advice to Belligerent Republicans.

TORONTO, January 31.—Speaker Munro of the populist house last night sent a letter to Speaker Douglass of the Republican house, informing him that the Republicans had no longer any excuse for staying outside the fold as they were doing, and saying they had better stop it. Their refusal to recognize the Populist house, he said, would confirm him in the belief that the railroads are sustaining the Republican house and paying expenses in the hope of preventing an enactment of railway legislation to which the Populist stand committed.

Speaker Douglass this afternoon laid this communication before the Populist house, together with his reply, in which he indignantly repelled the charges made, and suggested as the best mode of settlement that both sides make up a case to the highest court at once.

The speaker there was not yet replied. Last night the Republicans were wrought up to a high state of excitement by a rumor that the Populists will attempt tomorrow to remove them from the hall by force.

Each Republican provided himself with a revolver and says he will use it under certain circumstances.

If the governor orders out the militia to remove them they will not resist the state's authority, but if the sergeant-at-large of the Populist house, with his numerous deputies, tries it they will offer armed resistance.

BLIZZARD BLOWN.
Business at a Standstill in the Northwest.

PORTLAND, January 31.—The snowstorm ceased in the northwest last night and the weather turned cold. The heaviest fall was in the Puget sound country, where a depth of 15 to 20 inches was reached. At Spokane the thermometer was 12 below zero, and tonight in this city it was 14 above.

St. Paul—Reports tonight from many points in the northwest state that a severe blizzard is raging.

Elendale, N. D., reports a severe blizzard. At 10 o'clock this morning it was 14 above and tonight it is 23 below. Schools have been closed, business is at a standstill and a terrific blizzard is raging.

It is 20 below at Rulon, S. D., tonight, with a 65-mile gale.

Waterbury, S. D., reports a severe blizzard caused by the storm.

Punched by Percell.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 31.—Arthur Walker and Frank Percell fought at the Palo Alto club tonight. Percell won in the fourth round.

ATE A COMRADE.
HORRIBLE SUFFERINGS OF SHIPWRECKED SAILORS.

In the Biggings of a Foundering Ship Three Sailors Eat a Comrade's Raw Flesh.

HAMBURG, January 31.—For twenty-six days three sailors, rescued from the Norwegian ship Thetis, subsisted on human flesh.

The three strangled the fourth companion and lived on raw meat out from his corpse. From the time of their rescue until today the three unfortunate men have been insane from hunger.

Two of them recovered sufficiently today to tell the story of the Thetis, which was in heavy weather from December 20th.

When she left Philadelphia her deck houses and rails were swept away and the steering apparatus was broken. The master, mate and eight crewmen got away in a boat. The other boats were smashed by the waves before they could be lowered and nine men were obliged to remain in the rigging.

They were unable to get food from below and five of them, made insane by exposure and privation, jumped overboard, while the other four remained aboard until December 22nd till January 7th, the day of the rescue.

On the thirteenth day lots were drawn to determine which one of the four should be killed and eaten. The lot fell twice in succession to a Dutch sailor and he was strangled and devoured raw by the other three. The only drinking water the seamen got was the dew which they licked from the ropes.

The Senate.
WASHINGTON, January 31.—The anti-union bill passed the senate this afternoon. The vote stood 40 to 20.

After the anti-union bill had been passed the senate took the Hawaiian question and continued the speech by Bryan this morning on the subject of the annexation of the Hawaiian islands. Most of it was devoted to the question of the Niangua ship canal, it having been originally proposed as a tributary in favor of the pending bill on that subject.

When he closed the consideration of the fortifications bill was taken up, but no progress was made, and the senate soon adjourned.

The House.
WASHINGTON, January 31.—Resumption of consideration of the sundry civil bill today was had, and when a paragraph making an appropriation to construct the building of the library of Congress was reached, Speaker, Democrat of Tennessee, moved an amendment providing that preference be given home over foreign products.

Cogswell, Republican of Massachusetts, hoped the amendment would be passed because it involved such good Republican protective doctrine. The amendment was adopted.

FAVOR DISORGANIZING

The Legislative Irrigation Committee

IN FAVOR OF SEYMOUR'S PLAN

Riverside County Bill Favored by the Senate Committee—The Reassessment.

SACRAMENTO, January 31.—The senate committee on county boundaries will report that the Riverside county bill do pass and that the San Jacinto and San Antonio measures do not pass. It is also understood that the Santa Ynez bill will be reported adversely. A minority report will be presented in each case. The measure for the division of Tulare county will be taken up tomorrow. The assembly committee did not meet owing to the death of Chairman Price.

Favor Disorganizing.
SACRAMENTO, January 31.—The joint committee on irrigation decided to report favorably the bill introduced in the assembly by Carlson, and subsequently in the senate by Seymour, which provides for the calling of elections on the question of disorganizing irrigation districts on political grounds. A majority of the property owners in the district, such propositions not to be submitted to the people often than once a year, and before disincorporation all outstanding indebtedness to be paid up, and all property bought by the disincorporated district to be sold to the original owners.

About Reassessment.
SACRAMENTO, January 31.—The senate committee on corporations this afternoon arranged for the printing of the evidence taken on the reassessment measure and discussed what report they shall formulate. It is understood that the committee have under consideration a measure which will be substituted for the Shuman bill and which will not be so radical in its terms.

The China Arrives.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 31.—The Pacific Mail steamer China arrived from Hongkong and Yokohama at 1:30 o'clock this morning. She brings no news from the Hawaiian islands as she did not stop there, neither did she hear of the City of Peking.

THE GOSHEN ROBBERY

JOSEPH FOSTER ARRESTED AS THE THIRD MAN.

He Has a Ranch Near Elkhorn. Clever Catch by Detective Smith.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLICAN.
VIRAZIA, January 31.—Joe Foster, supposed to be the large man and leader of the Goshen robbers, was arrested about 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Sheriff Kay and Will Smith met him as he was driving in a wagon with two horses.

He said he was going to his brother-in-law's over at New Chicago. The officers requested him to return home which he did. The team was unhitched and turned out.

When told that he was wanted and for what, he made no answer, but entering the house he whispered something to his wife.

He said to the officers: "I'm sorry that I must go to Visalia for I could get friends at Fresno to keep me from going to the coast."

Foster is a man about 34 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall. He has a wife and two children and rents the ranch he lives on. It is situated about two miles from Willflower near Elkhorn station. The officers are confident that they have the right man.

EARTHQUAKES.

Many People Killed on the Island of Zante.

ATHENS, January 31.—The island of Zante was shaken this morning by an earthquake. In the town of Zante many houses were wrecked, the dome of the prison fell and many prisoners killed. The hospital was shaken partly from its foundations, floors settled, and roofs sank several feet. Two hours later the town was shaken by repeated shocks. More houses fell and the prison becoming unsafe the prisoners were removed. The people fled from their homes, crowded the market place, and scores of families are camped in the fields. Many dead bodies are in the ruins, and hundreds are severely injured.

Torrents of Rain.

LOS ANGELES, January 31.—Los Angeles has sustained severe damage from the recent rain which began Thursday and continued until today, and shows no signs of abating. The rain is general all over the southern country. There has been \$20,000 damage done to streets and railroads. The Los Angeles river is rising, and is expected to rise rapidly as soon as the fall comes from the mountains. The rainfall for the last twenty-four hours has been 3.20 inches. Total for the season, 16.04 inches.

Santa Monica—Seven inches of rain fell for this storm and it is still raining very hard. But the railroads are washed out cutting off all railway communication with the outside world. This has been the heaviest storm for years.

San Bernardino—The heaviest rain of the season fell here yesterday and last night. No damage.

His Lucky Number.
SAN BERNARDINO, January 31.—An unknown man suicided in a lodging house last night by taking chloroform. Among his effects was found a Mexican lottery ticket, on the back of which was written, "Give half of this to the poor of San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, and buy a lot with the balance in which to bury me." It is not known whether the ticket drew a prize or not.

Parliament Reopened.

LONDON, January 31.—Parliament re-assembled today. The queen's speech was delivered at the opening of the session.

TORTURED AND BURNED

Horrible Fate of a Negro Ravisher.

RED HOT IRONS AND COAL OIL

Cheering Thousands Witness One of the Most Revolting of Punishments.

PARIS, Tex., February 1.—Henry Smith, the negro ravisher of 4-year-old Myrtle Vance, has expired in part by awful crime by death at the stake.

Ever since the perpetration of the crime this city and the entire surrounding country has been in a wild frenzy of excitement, and when the news came last night that he had been captured at Hope, Ark., and identified, the city went wild with joy over the apprehension of the brute.

Hundreds of people poured into the city from the adjoining country and word was passed from lip to lip that the punishment of the fiend should be death by fire.

Whisky shops were closed, untidy mobs were dispersed, schools dismissed by proclamation from the mayor, and everything was done in a business-like manner.

The law was laid aside and the citizens took into their own hands the inhuman beast and

BURNED HIM AT THE STAKE.
The history of his crime is as follows: On Thursday last Smith picked up little Myrtle Vance, aged 4 years, near her father's—Polkman Henry Vance—residence, and carrying her to a pasture near the outskirts of the city, there viciously assaulted the innocent child, and after satisfying his fiendish passion took one little limb in each hand and literally tore her in twain, and covering the body with leaves and brush, he lay down and slept calmly through the night by the side of the victim.

Friday morning Smith left town. The child's remains were found Friday afternoon, and when news of the atrocious crime spread the whole town turned out in the chase.

The railroad put up bulletins offering free transportation. They halted in an open place about 300 yards from the Texas & Pacific depot. Here Smith was placed upon a scaffold, securely bound within view of all beholders. He was

TORTURED FOR FIFTY MINUTES by red-hot iron brands thrust against his quivering body.

Commenting at his first brand, against his pleading, he begged for mercy, but when the second brand was thrust against him, he ceased to plead and in less than ten minutes he was dead.

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TO REMAIN AT HOME

Secretary Foster Will Not Go to Paris

WITH BERING SEA ARBITRATORS

Senator Frye Expresses Himself Forcefully in Favor of the Annexation of Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, February 1.—The principal development in connection with the Hawaiian situation today is the announcement that Secretary of State Foster has given up his trip to Paris next week, whether he was going as agent of the Bering sea arbitrators.

In view of the necessities of the situation suddenly presenting themselves it has been deemed expedient that he should remain in the department until the close of his term of office. He will, however, meet the arbitrators at the date of their adjourned meeting, March 23d.

TAKES FROM THE SHIELDER.
WASHINGTON, February 1.—Senator Frye of Maine, a leading member of the committee on foreign affairs, has taken an active interest in all matters relating to the control of oiling islands in the Pacific ocean, said today:

"I have for years observed with regret the acquisition by foreign powers of desirable oiling stations and harbor privileges on several islands until now there are none left save this one of the Sandwich islands. I am in favor of making sure of this one by taking Hawaii into our possession. The protest of England against our annexation, if deemed best by this government, would be presumptuous and impudent. I imagine it will be confined to the presentation of a diplomatic note to which the secretary of state can make reply that England didn't consult us or our interests when she made an agreement with Germany to divide the islands of the Pacific with that power, and she certainly can have no ground for objection if we see fit to take Hawaii, the only territory remaining in the ocean."

TENNESSEE ALSO.

NASHVILLE, February 1.—In the house today Fitzgerald, Democrat, introduced a resolution expressing it as the sense of the house that the United States government should establish a protectorate over the Hawaiian islands, with a view to annexation. The resolution was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

HOUSTON TOO.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., February 1.—A house resolution, introduced this morning, urges Indiana representatives in congress to use their best efforts looking toward the establishment of American supremacy in Hawaii, either by means of a protectorate or by annexation as early a day as possible, and upon such terms and conditions as will secure to its people permanent peace and prosperity.

JUDICIAL MUSCLE.

How an Oakland Judge Defended His Honor.
Judge Ellsworth of the Superior court of Alameda county and J. M. Bassett indulged in a pugilistic encounter on Broadway today. Judge Ellsworth asked Bassett if he had written letters to newspapers commenting on the decision of the court in the water front case, and when Bassett said he had the Judge struck him in the face.

Bassett struck back and the men were parted by police.

In explanation of the affair Judge Ellsworth said: "Bassett has assailed the honor of the court of which I am a judge. I met him on the street and to defend my honor I struck him a blow full in the face."

Not Worse Than They Deserve.
LOWELL, Mass., January 31.—Thomas Gallan of Lowell, sentenced in London five years ago to fifteen years' confinement as an alleged dynamiter, reached here today. He has been confined in Chatham and Portland prisons. He says the prison methods are depriving the alleged dynamiters of their reason. They are not allowed to speak, and solitary confinement is imposed if the men are even suspected of whispering.

Callahan says Dr. Gallagher of Brooklyn, who was fellow prisoner, is insane, but the officials say he is shamming. Gallagher, according to Callahan, is in the infirmary most of the time, and cannot talk much longer. One of the dynamiters, Callahan says, has become a drivel, and is unable to do anything but laugh and giggle. Sometimes he breaks out in wild laughter, and for this he is punished by solitary confinement in a dark, cold cell, and is chained for from two to five days.

Wanted the Stout.
LOS ANGELES, January 31.—Henry Bentley Gardner, who is accused of having poisoned his wife, a wealthy Mexican woman, was arrested here today. An analysis of the woman's stomach showed evidence of poisoning by strychnine.

Died from Her Injuries.
PORTLAND, January 31.—Mary O. Avery, who fell down the elevator shaft of the Morrison building yesterday afternoon, a distance of seventy feet, died this morning from the injuries received.

Burned to Death.
HAVERHILL, Mass., January 31.—The house of James Addison at West Newbury was burned early this morning. Addison, aged 40, and his son William, aged 16, perished in the flames.

Went on the Flends.
MONTGOMERY, January 31.—The house of a hill prohibiting the disposing of cigarettes in any way, and prohibiting the smoking of cigarettes in any public place.

Assemblyman Price Dead.
SACRAMENTO, January 31.—Assemblyman E. B. Price, editor of the Oroville Mercury and assemblyman from Butte county, dropped dead this morning.

A Star Court.
BAKERSFIELD, January 31.—The case of a dispute there is nothing to go on. F. A. Dunmore, charged with rape, is in the superior court with closed doors.

MORE TIME GRANTED

Neither Johnson Nor Rea Ready for Trial

ON THE CHARGE OF BOODLING

Impressive Services Over the Remains of the Late Assemblyman.

SACRAMENTO, February 1.—The assembly committee, Mordcaui of Fresno chairman, took up tonight the investigation of the charges made by Railroad Commissioner Rea against Assemblyman H. H. Johnson of Santa Clara, wherein the latter was accused of offering to dispose of his vote to the railroad commissioners for \$100, and to furnish votes of other assemblymen for a like consideration. It was decided that it should present his evidence first, and that Johnson should answer them, counsel for each side to be allowed thirty minutes each for argument. Johnson said his counsel, McPike, had not yet arrived from San Francisco. Attorney Shortridge, counsel for Rea, also desired further time to subpoena witnesses, and on motion of Bull the hearing was continued until Tuesday night.

Reported Back.
SACRAMENTO, February 2.—The senate judiciary committee discussed the resolution for meeting the railroad commissioners today. It was decided to give the commissioners a hearing on Saturday, but at the evening session the matter was reconsidered, and it was decided to report the resolution back without recommendation, Earl voting "no."

The Senate.
SACRAMENTO, February 1.—The joint resolution by Senator Ford, providing that whenever the Hawaiian government shall signify that its territory be annexed to the United States, that California congressmen shall endeavor to bring about such a result, and that it is the sense of California that no other power than the United States should obtain control over the islands, was adopted.

The joint resolution by Ostrom, requesting the war department to take immediate action toward securing the navigability of Russian river by stopping breakers in the forces was also adopted.

Senator Gougher, rising to a question of privilege, denied the statement published in a Fresno newspaper that he had obstructed the hearing of information regarding the proposed Madara country.

The committee on county boundaries presented majority reports against and minority reports in favor of the creation of San Jacinto and San Antonio counties to add a strip of territory to San Diego and San Bernardino counties. The Riverside proposition was reported favorably by an unanimous vote.

The eight-hour labor bill failed of the necessary majority on the third reading, and was lost.

The act repealing the act creating the state board of forestry was passed.

On motion of Carpenter the senate adjourned at noon to attend the funeral of Assemblyman Price.

Senators Gougher, McAdams, Gessford, Hard and Stewart were appointed a committee to join the assembly committee in preparing suitable resolutions on the death of Assemblyman Price.

Hard introduced a bill creating a state board of public works.

The Assembly.
SACRAMENTO, February 1.—A number of measures were reported from the committee, including the joint resolution introduced the other day instructing California congressmen to vote for the annexation of Hawaii.

The assembly also adopted the joint resolution requesting congress to pass the bill establishing a state board of inquiry relative to the condition of the rivers of this state, and also adopted the joint resolution favoring the construction of a public building at Visalia.

The committee on commerce and navigation requested leave of absence from Friday next, Tuesday to inspect San Diego harbor. The application was referred to the committee on retrenchment.

Barlow of San Luis Obispo introduced a joint resolution relative to the continuance of improvements commenced by the concurrent resolution proposing a constitutional amendment regulating the formation of new counties was introduced.

In Joint Session.
SACRAMENTO, February 1.—Funeral services over the remains of the late Assemblyman E. B. Price of Oroville were held at the assembly chamber, state capitol, this afternoon. The services were attended by members of both houses and many other people. The assembly chamber had been darkened, and along the clerk's desk, in front of which the coffin was placed, were arranged several large floral tributes.

THE GOSHEN ROBBERY.
They Will Be Examined on Friday Next.
Special to the Republican.
VISALIA, February 1.—Talmadge and Phillips, the Goshen robbers, were released this morning on habeas corpus and after being discharged were immediately rearrested. Another writ was issued this afternoon, but the court denied it. They had their hearing this afternoon before Justice of the Peace Clark and he set their examination for Friday, February 3d at 2 o'clock.

Will Prosecute Them.
NEW ORLEANS, February 1.—The Times-Democrat Austin special says that Governor Hogg telegraphed officials at Lamar to protect the negro, Henry Smith, from mob violence, and after hearing of Smith's fate he wired them to take the names of the parties concerned in the affair for prosecution.

Sate Tracking.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 31.—Burglars last night cracked two safes, one in Kuhl, Schwark & Co's wine cellar on Sutter and Kearney streets, where they secured \$4, and the other in ex-Sheriff McManis' coal office on Washington and Polk streets, where they got \$200 and some papers.

For that Dr. Dowsy, liver feeling and loss of appetite there is nothing to go on. F. A. Dunmore, charged with rape, is in the superior court with closed doors.

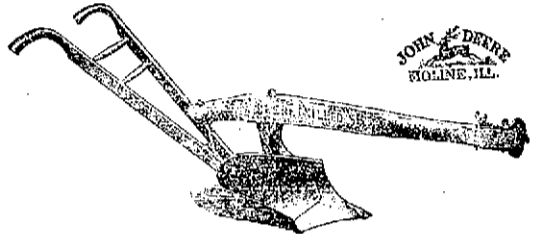
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JACKSON NAMED
As a Successor to the Late Justice Lamar.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—The President today appointed Circuit Judge Howell Edmund Jackson to succeed Justice Lamar to the supreme bench.

Judge Jackson is a Democratic ex-senator and at present judge of the United States court for the district embracing Tennessee.

Inquiry about the capital shows the appointment, considered from a judicial and not a political view, as a splendid one.

The appointment was a great surprise to the Tennessee delegation in the house, and Republican members felt sure they would not be guilty in the case of the People v. Lafayette Ray, charged with hog stealing.

The trial of Ed Knight of Kingsburg, Fresno county, charged with cattle stealing, began today.

